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SUBJECT: JORDANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER WELCOMES ISTANBUL SIDE
MEETING ON LEBANON

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Classified By: AMBASSADOR DAVID HALE FOR REASONS 1.4(B) AND (D)

[¶1.](#) (C) Thamer Adwan, Director of Foreign Minister Khatib's private office, reported on October 30 that the FM (currently in China with King Abdullah) welcomes the opportunity to participate in the proposed Istanbul side meeting on Lebanon (reftel).

[¶2.](#) (U) Adwan noted that Khatib's schedule in Istanbul is tight: he arrives Friday afternoon November 2 and departs mid-day Saturday November 3. Thus Adwan recommended that the meeting be scheduled for Friday evening or early Saturday morning. He identified as the best point of contact for scheduling the meeting Muhib Nimrat, U.S. deskoff in the private office, who will accompany Khatib to Istanbul. Nimrat's mobile telephone number is 962-79-639-6821.
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